

In the Specification

Please delete the section entitled "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" located on the first page directly after the title, and replace it with the following paragraph:

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This application is a continuation of United States Patent Application No. 09/036,249, filed on March 6, 1998, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,993,303.

REMARKS

During a post-allowance review of this application, Applicants became aware that the Preliminary Amendment filed on November 8, 1999, incorrectly added a priority claim to U.S. Application No. 08/914,570, filed March 6, 1998. As noted in the above amendment, the subject application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/036,249, filed March 6, 1998.

Applicants have amended the specification to remove the incorrect reference to U.S. Application No. 08/914,570, and add a reference to U.S. Application No. 09/036,249. This amendment is a correction of formal matters. The amendment is needed for proper disclosure or protection of the invention and requires no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the PTO. No new matter has been added by way of this amendment.

Applicants also note that the title on the Notice of Allowance in the above-identified application is incorrect. The title provided on the application as filed is "HAND-HELD CUTTING TOOL FOR CUTTING FIBER-CEMENT SIDING." Applicants request correction of the title in the subject application.